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PSYCHOLOGICAL STRATEGY BOARD
WASHINGTON

January 14, 1953

MEMORANDUM

TO: General Walter B. Smith,
Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Progress Report - Staff Study on European Satellites
of the USSR

The attached Progress Report - Staff Study on European Satellites of the USSR is submitted for information for the Board at its 17th meeting on January 15, 1953. This subject will be kept under review and recommendations for additional PSB staff work will be made as appropriate.

Alan G. Kirk
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Director

Enclosure:

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on European Satellites of the USSR
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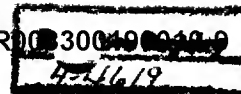
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Washington 25, D.C. August 7, 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN, PSYCHOLOGICAL STRATEGY BOARD

SUBJECT: Fifth Report on Working Group (Stalin) (PSB D-40/1)

The arrest of Soviet Deputy Premier Beria and the ensuing purge of a number of prominent officials in the USSR required an immediate re-examination of the basic strategy. WGB reviewed PSB D-40/1 with this in mind and decided that D-40/1 is still adequate in the present situation, if implemented with the flexibility intended.

WGB made suggestions for guidance in the member agencies and developed a general consensus that this may be the opportune time to commit any relevant "gilt-edged" assets for operations against the Kremlin which we may have in reserve. The Board took the view, however, that we know too little about the situation in the Kremlin to have a significant constructive capability or to be able to direct accurately a destructive maneuver.

At any rate the Beria purge showed that a real power struggle has been going on in the Kremlin, and lent new urgency to the quest for further intelligence on the key individuals concerned. The problem is being canvassed with appropriate members of the intelligence community.

Noting the prominence of "bourgeois nationalism" in Soviet comment on the Beria affair, WGB is studying intelligence and policy on the nationality situation in the USSR to determine how an exploitation of non-Russian nationalism might contribute to U.S. national objectives.

George A. Morgan
Acting Director.

cc: Under Secretary of State
Deputy Secretary of Defense
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